



## Miami-Dade Parks July 2006 Calendar of Events

### Saturday, 1

#### Land and Sea Adventure

12-2:30 p.m. \$40; \$32 for Miami-Dade residents. Saturdays and Sundays. Learn about the island of Key Biscayne and enjoy a tram ride through the Bear Cut Preserve, then snorkel around 2,000 year old fossilized reef in search of sea stars, urchins, and nurse sharks. Call 305-365-3018 for more information. Meet at the Crandon Park Visitors and Biscayne Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne.

#### Larry and Penny Thompson Beach and Waterslides

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Weekends. \$3 adults; \$2 children. Waterslide and swimming: \$4 adults; \$3 children. Open thru Labor Day. Children must be accompanied by an adult and 48 inches tall to ride the waterslides. Larry and Penny Thompson Park, 12451 SW 184 St., Miami, 305-232-1049

#### Camp Greynolds Campfire Program

5-9 p.m. \$15. Also, July 15. Begin the evening with a hike learning about medicinal and edible plants. Then take a canoe trip on the Oleta River to the campgrounds for storytelling, craft making and marshmallow roasting around the campfire. Call 305-945-3425 for reservations. Meet at the Boathouse at Greynolds Park, 17530 W. Dixie Highway, N. Miami Beach.

#### Geology Hike

3 p.m. \$7 adults; \$5 children. Have a "rocking" good time with Park Naturalists as they step back in time and explore the Deering Estate's ancient geological formations. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 242

#### Canoe, Kayak and Paddle Boat Rentals

11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Canoes and kayaks for adults are \$4.50 per half hour and \$3 for children. Paddleboats are \$6 per half hour. The Boathouse at Greynolds Park, 17530 W. Dixie Highway, N. Miami Beach, 305-948-2891

#### Crandon Bear Cut Preserve Nature Walks

10-11 a.m. and 2-3 p.m. \$2. Saturdays and Sundays. Explore a rare remnant of Miami's remaining maritime hammock, scrub, dunes and beach habitat and mangrove forest. Call 305-361-6767 for reservations. Meet at the Crandon Park Visitors and Biscayne Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne.

#### Tai Chi Classes

10:30 a.m. \$60 six-week session, 6/24-7/22. Saturdays. Call 305-235-1668, ext. 233 for more information. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami

#### Crandon Heritage Tram Tours

10-11 a.m. Saturdays; 3-4 p.m. Sundays. \$2 adults; \$1 children. Take a tram ride through Crandon Park and the Bear Cut Preserve and learn about the Island of Key Biscayne and its fascinating history. Call 305-361-6767 for reservations. Crandon Park Visitors and Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne

**Arch Creek Nature Walks**

10-11:30 a.m. \$3. Saturdays. Join us on this naturalist-guided tour through a native tropical hardwood hammock where the prehistoric Tequesta Indians thrived for hundreds of years living off the land. Call 305-948-2891, one day in advance, for reservations. Meet at Arch Creek Park Museum, 1855 NE 135 St., N. Miami.

**"Nature, Nurture: Drawings and Metal Cutouts"**

10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$7 adults; \$5 children. Thru August 2. A Debbie Carfagno art exhibition in bronze of multi-layer wall pieces, freestanding sculptures, and balances abstraction mixed with realism. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668

**Wheelchair Tennis Program**

9-11 a.m. Free. Saturdays. Ages 12 and older. All skill levels. Call 305-755-7848 (v/tdd) for more information. Big Five Tennis Club, 9299 SW 7 Terr., Miami

**Historic Oleta River Canoe Trip**

10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$25 adults; \$15 children ages 7-14. Saturdays. Catch a view of many wading birds and mammals in their natural habitats and visit an undisturbed Tequesta Indian midden. Call 305-365-3018 for reservations. Meet at East Greynolds Park, NE 167 St. and Biscayne Blvd., N. Miami Beach.

**Firearm Safety**

9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$5 adults; children free. Saturdays and Sundays. Learn the fundamentals of firearm safety, range rules and regulations. Trail Glades Range, 17601 SW 8 St., Miami, 305-226-1823

**Saturdays in the Park with Commissioner Javier Souto**

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturdays. District 10 residents are invited to spend Saturday mornings with Commissioner Souto discussing concerns and issues. Call 305-375-4835 for locations.

**NRA First Steps Course**

10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$49.94. Saturdays. Ages 21 and older. This course consists of fundamental basic pistol instruction and safety and meets state requirements for the concealed weapons permit. Trail Glades Range, 17601 SW 8 St., Miami, 305-226-1823

**Kayak Rentals**

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays. 2 Person Kayaks: \$15 per hour. Snorkel rental daily for \$7. Rentals at North Beach Kayak Aquatic Concession, southeast of Crandon Park Visitors and Biscayne Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne, 305-361-6767.

**Crandon Kayak & Snorkel Adventure**

9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. \$50; \$42 for Miami-Dade residents. Saturdays and Sundays. Explore the colorful tropical fish, spotted eagle rays, cushion stars, herons and other animals that share the fragile and unique sanctuary of the Fossilized Reef. Call 305-365-3018 or 305-361-6767 ext.112 for reservations. Crandon Park Visitors and Biscayne Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne

**Matheson Hammock Biscayne Bay Tour**

10 a.m. and 4 p.m. \$25; \$15 ages 7-14. Saturdays and Sundays. Explore mangrove forest-lined creeks and discover the secretive lives of the habitat's wildlife. Call 305-365-3018 for reservations. Meet the A.D. Barnes Park naturalist guides at Redfish Grill in Matheson Hammock Park, 9610 Old Cutler Rd., Miami.

**Evening Sky Viewings**

8-11 p.m. Free. Saturdays. Look and learn with the Southern Astronomical Society and view the night sky through high-tech telescopes. Call 305-661-1375 for more information. Bill Sadowski Park and Nature Center, 17555 SW 79 Ave., Miami

**Mountain Bike Trails**

Sunrise-Sunset. Monday-Friday. \$4 parking per vehicle on Saturdays and Sundays. Mountain bike trails for beginners, intermediate and advanced riders. Amelia Earhart Park, 401 East 65 St., Hialeah, 305-685-8389

**Deering Historic Tours**

10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. \$7 adults; \$5 children. Daily. Tour the historic 1922 Stone House, the 1896-1900 Richmond Cottage and the 444-acre environmental preserve featuring archaeological sites and rare native flora and fauna. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668

**Dog Park**

Sunrise-Sunset. Free. Monday-Friday. \$4 parking per vehicle on Saturday and Sunday. The park offers five acres of enclosed green space with walking trails and water fountains for dogs. Dog Park at Amelia Earhart Park, 401 East 65 St., Hialeah, 305-685-8389

**Farm Village**

9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Monday-Friday. \$4 parking per vehicle on Saturday and Sunday. The farm village offers petting zoo daily and pony rides on Saturday and Sunday for children weighing 70 lbs. and less. Pony rides are \$2. Bill Graham Farm Village at Amelia Earhart Park, 401 East 65 St., Hialeah, 305-685-8389

**Amusement Center**

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Daily. Ride a colorful carousel and bike or roller-blade through miles of trails. Carousel operates weekends and holidays only. Three rides for \$1. Crandon Park, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne, 305-361-5421

**Skyward Kites**

10 a.m.-Sunset. Daily. Add the joy of kite flying to your day at the beach. Kites on sale starting at \$5 and staff will help with assembly and give instructions on how to be a master kite flyer. Haulover Beach Park, 10800 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, 305-893-0906

**Sunday, 2****Chicken Key Canoe Tour**

8-11 a.m. \$25 adults; \$15 ages 9-14. Sundays. Canoeists will experience the beauty of Biscayne Bay as they make their way to Chicken Key Island, a seven-acre bird rookery. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 243

**Guided Historical Nature Walk**

2-4 p.m. \$3 per person; \$4 per vehicle entrance fee. Sundays. See animals in their natural surroundings and learn about plant life that might not be seen on a paved trail. Call 305-945-3425 for reservations. Greynolds Park, 17530 W. Dixie Highway, N. Miami Beach

**Monday, 3****Summer Camps**

Miami-Dade Parks offers summer camps featuring sports, eco-adventures, games and the arts for youth ages 6-14 thru August 14. Call 305-755-7800 for information. Miami Metrozoo (305-255-5551) and Deering Estate (305-235-1668) are also holding camps.

## **Tuesday, 4**

### **Amelia Fourth of July Concert & Fireworks**

6-10 p.m. \$10 parking fee per car; \$15 per bus and RV. Celebrate America's independence with a concert and spectacular fireworks show. Amelia Earhart Park, 401 East 65 St., Hialeah, 305-685-8389

## **Wednesday, 5**

### **Yoga Classes**

6-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, \$40 four-week session 6/27-7/25; Also, Wednesdays, 10-11:30 a.m. \$50 five-week session, 6/28-7/26. Yoga taught by Marlene Shulman. Call 305-235-1668, ext. 233 for more information. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami

### **Arch Creek Ghost Tours**

7-8:30 p.m. \$5. Also, July 19. Take a night tour of Arch Creek Park and learn about its spooky past. Hear personal accounts of ghostly encounters that have occurred since the late 1800s and maybe have an encounter of your own. Call 305-944-6111 for reservations. Arch Creek Park Museum, 1855 NE 135 St., N. Miami

### **Miss Florida Pageant**

7:30 p.m. Thru Saturday. Contestants from throughout Florida will compete for the Miss Florida Crown to represent our state in the Miss America 2006 competition. Call 305-547-5414, ext. 0 for tickets and more information. Miami-Dade County Auditorium, 2901 West Flagler St., Miami

## **Friday, 7**

### **Greynolds Park Owl Prowl**

7:30 p.m. \$5. Enter the darkness of Greynolds Park after sunset for a unique view of the many owls and other creatures that roam when the lights go out. Call 305-945-3425 for reservations. Greynolds Park, 17530 W. Dixie Highway, N. Miami Beach

### **Double Nine Domino League**

7-10 p.m. \$60 per team of two. Fridays. League will meet inside the recreation building at Norman & Jean Reach Park, 7901 NW 176 St., 305-823-2414.

### **Shooter Clinic**

7-8 p.m. Fridays. Free clinic, charge for shotgun rental, trap rounds, shells, ear and eye protection. Ages 18 and older. Learn the sport of Trap shooting, including shotgun safety, game rules, field etiquette, and shooting techniques. Trail Glades Range, 17601 SW 8 St., Miami, 305-226-1823

## **Saturday, 8**

### **Key Biscayne Snorkel & Island Boat Tour**

8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. \$62 includes rental of snorkeling gear. Also, July 30. Enjoy a guided cruise on the Biscayne Bay and explore the underwater marine life near the historical Stiltsville and the Cape Florida. Call 305-365-3018 or 305-361-6767 ext. 112 for more information. Meet in front of the Dock Master's Office at Crandon Park Marina, 4000 Crandon Boulevard, Key Biscayne.

### **International Mango Festival**

9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. \$20 adults; \$10 ages 6-17. Thru Sunday. Taste the many flavors of the mango, buy a mango tree perfect for your own garden, learn how to grow healthy trees that produce luscious fruit and enjoy children's activities. This year's festival features mangos from Cuba. Fairchild Tropical Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd, Miami, 305-667-1651



## **Sunday, 9**

### **Sundays 'til Sundown**

4 p.m.-sundown. Every second Sunday. Come relax, listen to live music and learn something new about nature. Call 305-361-6767 for more information. Crandon Park Visitors and Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne

### **Pelican Harbor Kayak and Snorkel Trip**

10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$35, plus \$7 snorkel rental. Break away from it all by kayaking and snorkeling in the shallows around a series of small islands in North Biscayne Bay that provide viable habitats for coastal birds and marine life. Call 305-365-3018 for reservations. Meet at Pelican Harbor Marina, 1275 NE 79 St., Miami Beach.

## **Monday, 10**

### **Magic City Monday: "Nick Tickle: Fairy Tale Detective"**

10:30-11:30 a.m. \$3. The Fantasy Theater Factory theatrical performance. Call 305-636-2350 for more information. Joseph Caleb Auditorium, 5400 NW 22 Ave., Miami

## **Tuesday, 11**

### **Deering Estate Moonlight Canoe Tour**

7-11 p.m. \$35. Ages 18 and older. Canoeists will enjoy the moonlit beauty of Biscayne Bay as they make their way to Chicken Key Island. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 233

## **Saturday, 15**

### **Butterfly Walk**

2-3:30 p.m. Free with paid park admission: \$7 adults; \$5 children. Explore the various habitats of the park while finding and identifying numerous butterfly species. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 242

## **Monday, 17**

### **Magic City Monday: "The Art of Flamenco"**

10:30-11:30 a.m. \$3. The Ballet Flamenco La Rosa's dance performance. Call 305-636-2350 for more information. Joseph Caleb Auditorium, 5400 NW 22 Ave., Miami

## **Friday, 21**

### **The Misunderstood Mammal: The Bat!**

7 p.m. \$5. Learn about these fascinating creatures and discover why they are so beneficial to us. Call 305-948-2891 for reservations. Meet at the Boathouse at Greynolds Park, 17530 W. Dixie Highway, N. Miami Beach.

## **Saturday, 22**

### **Architecture Tour**

2-3:30 p.m. Free with paid park admission: \$7 adults; \$5 children. Discover all the architectural features this historic park has to offer by exploring the magnificent Stone House and the picturesque Richmond Cottage. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 242

### **Cabaret in the Ballroom**

8 p.m. \$15. An evening of acoustic Brazilian Jazz, to include Samba-Jazz, Bossa Nova and American Jazz favorites in the Stone House ballroom. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 233

#### **Paso Fino Horse Show**

8 a.m.-12 a.m. Free. Thru Sunday. Tropical Park Equestrian Center, 7900 SW 40 St., Miami, 305-554-7334

#### **“El Hombre de La Mancha”**

8 p.m. \$13-\$35. Also, Sunday at 3 p.m. Sociedad Pro Arte Grateli presents the classic “Man of La Mancha” in Spanish. Miami-Dade County Auditorium, 2901 West Flagler St., Miami, 305-547-5414, ext. 0

#### **Family Fun Day**

1-3 p.m. \$5. Bring the family for a fun-filled afternoon nature adventure, archaeological digs, pottery making and learn about plants and animals on a guided trail walk. Call 305-944-6111 for reservations. Arch Creek Park Museum, 1855 NE 135 St., N. Miami

### **Sunday, 23**

#### **East Greynolds Oleta River Kayak Tour**

10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$25. Catch a view of many wading birds and mammals in their natural habitats and visit an undisturbed Tequesta Indian midden. Call 305-365-3018 for reservations. Meet at East Greynolds Park, NE 167 St. and Biscayne Blvd., N. Miami Beach.

### **Monday, 24**

#### **Magic City Monday: “The Tao of Jazz”**

10:30-11:30 a.m. \$3. Musical performance presented by Mantra. Call 305-636-2350 for more information. Joseph Caleb Auditorium, 5400 NW 22 Ave., Miami

### **Tuesday, 25**

#### **27<sup>th</sup> Annual Palmetto Junior Golf Open**

9 a.m. \$60 entry fee. Thru Thursday. Ages: 13-17 girls; 12-13, 14-15 & 16-17 boys. At this annual event, the future golf stars of Miami-Dade shine. Call 305-238-2922 by July 23 to register. Palmetto Golf Course, 9300 SW 152 St., Miami

### **Friday, 28**

#### **25<sup>th</sup> Annual Palmetto Junior Golf Open for Ages 3-12**

Golf tournament for girls and boys ages 3-12. Call 305-235-1069 for entry fees and tee time. Briar Bay Golf Course, 9373 SW 134 St., Miami

### **Saturday, 29**

#### **Casanova’s Freestyle Reunion**

8 p.m. \$23.50-\$55.50. A reunion of 1980’s and 1990’s recording artists that performed at the old Casanova’s nightclub of that era. Miami-Dade County Auditorium, 2901 West Flagler St., Miami, 305-547-5414, ext. 0

#### **Railroad Safety**

12 p.m. and 2 p.m. \$5 adults; \$3 children under 12. Enjoy a lecture on Railroad Safety presented by Don Levine of Operation Lifesaver. Gold Coast Railroad Museum, 12450 SW 152 St., Miami, 305-253-0063, [www.goldcoast-railroad.org](http://www.goldcoast-railroad.org)

**Sunday, 30****Butterfly Day**

9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Take a butterfly tour through Fairchild, learn how to identify South Florida's butterfly species and buy or learn how to grow plants to create your own butterfly garden. Call 305-667-1651, ext. 3344 for more information. Fairchild Tropical Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd, Miami

**Israel Galván Flamenco**

5 p.m. \$27-\$42. A performance of the renowned Spanish Flamenco artist with his company. Miami-Dade County Auditorium, 2901 West Flagler St., Miami, 305-547-5414, ext. 0

**Monday, 31****Magic City Monday: "Urban Funk"**

10-11 a.m. \$3. Dance performance presented by Peaches School of Dance II. Call 305-636-2350 for more information. Tamiami Park, 11201 SW 24 St., Miami